

FINAL BILL REPORT

SSB 5030

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Concerning militia records, property, command, and administration.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections (originally sponsored by Senators Kilmer, Hobbs, Swecker, Shin, Berkey, Eide, Hatfield, McAuliffe and Roach; by request of Military Department and Joint Committee on Veterans' and Military Affairs).

Senate Committee on Government Operations & Elections
House Committee on State Government & Tribal Affairs

Background: The Washington Code of Military Justice governs the organization, administration, and duties of the Washington National Guard.

The Adjutant General serves as the commander of the Washington National Guard. The Adjutant General has many duties including recordkeeping. Many of the records the Adjutant General must keep and maintain are submitted and retained by the Department of Defense. Records pertaining to federal issues are submitted to the Department of Defense. Records pertaining to state issues are maintained in the Bureau of Records housed in the Adjutant General's office, with copies submitted to the State Archive.

Summary: The Adjutant General is declared commander of the Washington National Guard, subject to the orders of the Governor. The Adjutant General will supervise the preparation and submission of records to the Governor or the federal government, as appropriate. Records pertaining to state issues are submitted to the State Archive, and the Adjutant General is no longer required to maintain a Bureau of Records.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate	48	0
House	96	1

Effective: July 26, 2009

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